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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
October 18, 2011

The meeting of the Mead Public Library (MPL) Board Information Technology Committee was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 in the Library Board Room. Present Committee Members: Mr. Stauber Soik, presiding; Ms. Montemayor, and Ald. Sampson. Absent Committee member: Mr. Morgan. Others attending (via internet conferencing): Mr. Doug Monson, 3M Cloud Library sales specialist. Present Staff Members: Mr. Gort, Ms. Winkle and Mr. Zehfus.

1. & 2. Mr. Stauber Soik called the meeting of the Information Technology Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. and determined there was a quorum present.

   3.   Ms. Montemayor **moved** to approve the Information Technology Committee minutes of June 22, 2011. Ald. Sampson **seconded** the motion. The minutes were **approved**, 3 – 0.

   4.   Ms. Winkle reported that the Polaris upgrade previously scheduled for August 30, 2011 was cancelled by the Eastern Shores Library System (ESLS). It was an interim upgrade between Polaris software versions 4.0 and 4.1. It is projected that the upgrade to Polaris version 4.1 will occur no later than August 2012.

5. & 6. Ms. Winkle introduced the presentation via web demo of information about the 3M Cloud Library eBook service. Mead Public Library's goal is to make access to e-content simple, direct, and successful for the public. Ms. Winkle distributed several handouts and a press release about 3M Cloud Library. The staff has looked at several vendors and this is the best one found so far. Mr. Monson gave his presentation about 3M Cloud Library and answered questions from the Committee. The Cloud's collection currently holds 30,000 titles and will increase to 100,000 by December of 2011. Libraries that become 'Early Adopters' get special pricing on their annual subscription fee and hardware. After the presentation the Committee discussed at length how to best offer MPL patrons e-content. Ms. Montemayor **moved** to recommend to the Board committing to participation in the 3M Cloud Library Early Adopter pricing program. Mr. Stauber Soik **seconded** the motion. The motion **passed**, 2 – 1. Voting No: Ald. Sampson.

   7.   Ms. Winkle reported on Rdio, a database of popular music available by annual subscription for streaming. Ms. Winkle noted that E-content access is not just for written books in digital format. MPL already provides audio books in electronic format through Recorded Book's 'One Click' product. The staff has been looking to add a music service and found the vendor Rdio which provides streaming music for library users. There is no downloading of files

so Rdio should be regarded as exempt from the "same service" requirement – like the databases that MPL already provides to its patrons. The annual fee is $3,000.00 for which each MPL cardholder would receive five hours of streaming music per month. This is much less expensive than other vendor's pricing for downloadable popular music. The staff intends to move ahead with an annual subscription for 2012 with funds available in the current budget.

    8.   Ms. Winkle introduced the topic of using filtering software on Mead laptops available for public use. The Library Board made the decision not to filter adult web access but it is also policy not to allow the viewing of objectionable images on computers in the library. By **consensus** the Committee agreed to take up the topic at its next meeting.

    9.   Mr. Stauber Soik confirmed that he will make the committee report to the Mead Public Library Board at its meeting of October 27.

   10.   The next meeting will be as needed.

   11.   Seeing no further business Mr. Stauber Soik **adjourned** the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Reported by Sharon Winkle, Library Director